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1. I SAW FOREIGN MINISTER BITSIOS THIS MORNING MAR 9 AND WE DISCUSSED THE CURRENT STATE OF PLAY WITH RESPECT TO THE PROPOSED CYPRUS RESOLUTION IN THE SECURITY COUNCIL. HE SAID THAT AS HE HAD INDICATED TO THE SECRETARY IN THEIR MEETING IN BRUSSELS ON FRIDAY, HE HAD INSTRUCTED THE GREEK REPRESENTATIVES TO GO ALONG WITH THE DELAY UNTIL TUESDAY ON VOTING THE RESOLUTION. BITSIOS SAID HE HAD ALSO TALKED TO WALDHEIM ON THE TELEPHONE AND SAID THE DELAY WAS AGREEABLE TO GREECE.

2. HOWEVER, BITSIOS SAID, IF THE SECRETARY AND THE US WERE UNABLE TO PERSUADE TURKEY TO GO ALONG WITH THE RESOLUTION IN THE INTERIM, GREECE WOULD INSIST ON VOTING THE RESOLUTION NEXT TUESDAY MORNING AT THE LATEST. BITSIOS SAID THAT HIS UNDERSTANDING WITH THE SECRETARY WAS THAT IF THE RESOLUTION WERE ACCEPTABLE TO THE TURKS, THE US WOULD ALSO VOTE IN FAVOR AND THAT IF IT WERE
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NOT, THE US WOULD NOT BLOCK THE RESOLUTION; INSTEAD--BARRING

SOME RELEVANT POINT OR NEW DEVELOPMENT THAT WAS NOT
APPARENT TO THE SECRETARY IN BRUSSELS ON FRIDAY AFTER-
NOON--THE US WOULD ABSTAIN ON THE RESOLUTION.
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